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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

PARK DEPARTMENT

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1949.

BOSTON, December 31, 1949.

HON. JOHN B. HYNES,
Mayor of Boston.

DEAR SIR:

In accordance with section 15 of chapter 185, Acts of 1875, the Park Commission herewith submits its annual report for the year 1949.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK R. KELLEY,
Chairman, Board of Park Commissioners.
THEODORE C. HAFFENREFFER,
JOSEPH LEE,
Commissioners.

Boston, City Messenger Department
September 28, 1950

Expenditures for Maintenance, January 1 to December 31, 1949.

PARKS, GARDENS — SQUARES.

Algonquin square	$52 35
Aquarium	50,092 78
Arborway	8,040 14
Arnold Arboretum	7,214 15
Back Bay District	5,320 35
Back Bay yard	17,275 81
Belmont square	1,276 28
Blackstone square	2,619 40
Boston Common, Bandstand	2,247 46
Boston Common, Christmas Tree	245 99
Boston Common, Deer Park	605 63
Boston Common, Frog Pond	714 72
Boston Common, grounds	53,224 25
Boston Common, Park Street Station	2,168 92
Boston Common, Playland	288 00
Boston Common, West Street Station	89 15
Braddock park	162 03
Brighton District	24,933 95
Bromley park	705 80
Camp Meigs	351 15
Castle Island	2,135 13
Cedar square	361 25
Centervale park	150 30
Central square	1,284 13
Charlesgate West	3,565 81
Charlestown District	9,783 66
Chester park	584 45
Chestnut Hill park	1,689 85
City square	1,071 75
Columbia road	6,239 45
Columbus Park	15,707 31
Columbus Park Stadium	13,381 87
Columbus square	151 92
Commonwealth avenue, main	21,645 71
Concord square	360 05
Copley square	76 00
Dorchester Heights	3,548 95
Dorchester Park	5,580 81
East Boston District	379 74
Eaton square	250 20
Edison Green	52 35
Elm Hill park	97 80
Fens	21,216 11
Fens Rose Garden	12,917 65
Fens Stadium	8,162 81
Florida street	370 65

Fort Hill square	$881 35
Franklin Park, Administration Building, shops, etc.	8,716 12
Franklin Park, carpenter shop	10,867 83
Franklin Park, garage	19,807 28
Franklin Park, golf course	30,172 86
Franklin Park, greenhouse	60,755 91
Franklin Park, grounds	48,471 20
Franklin Park, Overlook Building	203 45
Franklin Park, paint shop	18,486 26
Franklin Park, Refectory Building	5,027 40
Franklin Park, repair shops	72,674 35
Franklin Park, storehouse	40,303 99
Franklin Park, toboggan slide	534 50
Franklin Park, yard	45,823 25
Franklin square	2,527 25
Fred Olson square	33 95
George Wolf square	190 41
George Wright Golf Course	59,501 62
Green and Lamartine streets	1,154 75
Greenwood square	28 35
Hayes square	258 00
Heath square	57 95
Highland park	1,010 80
Horatio Harris park	1,674 39
Hyde square	94 80
Irving W. Adams park	1,080 30
Jamaica Pond	2,885 44
Jamaica Pond Boat Landing	417 04
Jamaicaway	13,924 03
John E. Donovan park	1,178 23
John Harvard Mall	2,131 75
Kane square	70 45
Kenmore square	2,073 93
Kittredge square	8 90
Linwood square	13 90
Louis Pasteur park	100 50
Madison park	1,399 60
Maffi Walk	552 75
Maloney square	110 05
Marine Park	7,035 72
Mary Cummings Estate	7 08
Massachusetts avenue	468 00
Maverick square	1,154 37
McLean park	1,128 90
Mount Bowdoin Green	311 20
Murray park	193 41
Myrtle street	2,149 44
North End park and pier	5,327 64
Oakview terrace	116 60
Olmsted park	370 95

Orchard park	$1,751 60
Park Drive, Administration Building	708 68
Parks—General	12,791 52
Peabody square	57 31
Preble Street Traffic Circle	90 60
Prescott square	1,243 96
Public Garden	36,613 83
Putnam square	1,087 71
Recreation Division	209,538 33
Richardson square	1,196 50
Riverway	12,312 48
Ross Estate	357 00
Rutland square	390 55
Soldiers' Monument Lot	196 87
South Boston District	9,594 42
Spaulding square	58 20
Strandway	965 86
Thomas park	187 22
Tremlett square	69 65
Turner square	384 40
Union park	377 85
Walnut park	260 36
Waltham square	101 20
Warren Statue	81 25
Washington park	1,909 35
Winthrop square	992 00
Wellesley park	267 90
William B. Corbett park	686 60
Wolcott square	299 05
Worcester square	409 85
World War Memorial park	11,054 16
Zoological Garden, animal range	10,348 35
Zoological Garden, antelope house	8,803 21
Zoological Garden, bear dens	9,092 76
Zoological Garden, bird house	30,108 99
Zoological Garden, camel house	20 69
Zoological Garden, elephant house	10,863 52
Zoological Garden, elk range	276 62
Zoological Garden, general	39,169 49
Zoological Garden, lion house	10,178 73
Total	$1,206,760 84

Playgrounds.

Almont Street Playground	$7,888 79
American Legion Playground	5,877 99
Billings Field Playground	7,306 33
Brookside Avenue Playground	1,426 22
Cassidy Playground	6,463 77

Ceylon Street Playground	$3,689 13
Charlesbank Playground	7,388 49
Cherry Street Playground	1,047 00
Christopher J. Gibson Playground	8,091 42
Christopher J. Lee Playground	6,557 95
Cook Street Playground	237 58
Copp's Hill Playground	50 25
Fallon Field Playground	8,402 97
Fellows Street Playground	937 58
Foster Street Playground	250 00
Francis Parkman Playground	4,360 96
Franklin Field Playground	18,838 10
Frederick D. Emmons Playground	3,100 94
General Playground	12,950 04
George H. Walker Playground	5,255 33
James L. Cronin Playground	5,511 21
James F. Healy Playground	5,742 75
James and Margaret Tobin Playground	1,060 50
Jefferson Playground	6,613 66
John J. Connolly Playground	5,508 90
John A. Doherty Playground	1,154 19
John J. Doherty Playground	4,202 80
John F. Holland Playground	2,165 15
John W. Murphy Playground	6,394 58
John H. L. Noyes Playground	7,998 34
John J. Ryan Playground	8,023 92
John Winthrop Playground	1,577 00
Joseph Lee Playground	2,669 14
Kiley Street Playground	959 00
King Street Playground	959 00
L. Gertrude Howes Playground	1,406 58
Lester J. Rotch Playground	4,621 27
London Street Playground	1,095 49
Mary Draper Playground	5,042 35
Mary Hannon Playground	908 75
Mary E. Hemenway Playground	6,661 35
McConnell Park Playground	6,944 85
McKinney Playground	6,457 87
McLaughlin Playground	2,766 91
Meade Street Playground	133 50
Mission Hill Playground	6,453 19
North End Prada Playground	7,779 00
Parker Hill Playground	1,976 54
Paris Street Playground	1,155 73
Phillips Street Playground	124 20
Readville Playground	2,792 43
Rev. Father Buckley Playground	55 40
Ripley Playground	50 25
Rogers Park Playground	5,485 00
Ronan Park Playground	10,672 64
Smith's Pond Playground	7,192 67

Snow Hill Street Playground	$50 25
Stanley A. Ringer Playground	3,656 61
Thomas J. Roberts Playground	6,010 81
Troy Street Playground	645 64
Tyler Street Playground	1,137 00
Union Street Playground	1,709 14
Washington Street Playground	275 42
Webster Street Playground	7 50
Wesley G. Ross Playground	5,181 47
William Amerena Playground	6,012 17
William E. Carter Playground	6,775 12
William Eustis Playground	5,336 25
William E. Garvey Playground	8,585 97
William F. Smith Playground	8,851 45
Total	$304,671 75

Gymnasia.

Brighton Buildings Gymnasium	$4,668 43
Cabot Street Gymnasium	38,993 83
Columbia Road Gymnasium	10,910 41
Curtis Hall Gymnasium	14,372 90
Hyde Park Gymnasium	8,518 01
John J. Williams Gymnasium	17,141 47
Lexington Street Gymnasium	8,035 13
North Bennet Street Gymnasium	30,357 79
Paris Street Gymnasium	36,939 39
Roslindale Gymnasium	8,142 16
Tyler Street Gymnasium	9,855 01
Vine Street Gymnasium	18,226 62
Total	$206,161 15

Baths and Beaches.

Broadway Municipal Building	$23,176 00
Charlesbank	4,003 00
Charlestown Pool	9,810 04
Columbus Park Beach	21,111 49
Dover Street Bath House and Laundry	106,762 84
Head House, Marine Park	17,137 62
L Street Bath House and Beach	89,491 55
North End Park Beach and Bath	18,894 30
Savin Hill Beach	4,197 00
Tenean Beach	11,590 62
World War Memorial Park Beach	6,995 00
Repair Room, Sewing Room and Stock Room	50,655 55
General	29,359 36
Total	$393,184 37

GENERAL EXPENSE.

Central Office — Administration	$88,165 62
Stables	49 00
Street trees	73,172 07
Miscellaneous	61,324 85
Pensions and annuities	24,615 03
Automobiles, tractors, wagons, etc.	99,740 79
Total	$347,067 36

RECAPITULATION.

Parks and gardens	$1,206,760 84
Playgrounds	304,671 75
Gymnasia	206,161 15
Baths and beaches	393,184 37
General expense	347,067 36
	$2,457,845 47

CASH RECEIPTS.

For Twelve Months Ending December 31, 1949.

PARK DIVISION.

Franklin Park Golf Course	$18,887 50	
George Wright Golf Course	26,493 00	
Permits for openings, signs, etc.	371 40	
Use of equipment, labor, etc.	285 00	
Commission on telephones in Park Department buildings	213 97	
Refunds	82 20	
Settlement of claims	444 00	
Towels, soap, etc., in playground houses	1,893 94	
Rentals from concessions on parks and beaches	17,501 91	
Sale of old unused equipment	495 00	
Miscellaneous	29 70	
Moth suppression	1 00	
Sales of city land	37,000 00	
Boston Common Tree Fund, income	125 58	
Mary P. C. Cummings Estate, income	6,023 96	
Randidge Fund, income	1,858 44	
Babcock Music Fund	62 20	
Foss Fund, 17th of June	85 00	
Foss Flag Fund	85 00	
		$111,938 80

BATH DIVISION.

Towels, soap, etc., in bath houses	$35,930 02	35,930 02
		$147,868 82

Above receipts were credited as follows:	
General Revenue	$102,628 64
Trust Funds, income	8,240 18
Sales of city land	37,000 00
	$147,868 82

Expenditures of Loan, Revenue, Special Appropriations and Trust Funds, January 1, 1949, to December 31, 1949.

Boston Common Tree Fund, income	$778 89
Charlesgate West Bridge alterations and repairs	69,509 16
Common and parks in existence on January 12, 1887, maintenance and improvement of	185,401 93
Construction of buildings and original equipment and furnishings thereof, non-revenue	21,866 21
Mary P. C. Cummings Trust Fund, income	3,245 80
North Bennet Street Building, restoration of	62,850 31
Park and playground improvements, etc., revenue	131,118 25
Randidge Trust Fund, income	1,785 00
Reconstruction and repair of parkways and roadways, revenue	57,359 69
Rehabilitation of the Franklin Park Zoo	60,024 22
Snow removal	10,439 72
South Boston Gymnasium equipment	196 00
Temporary War Memorial, Contingent Fund	325 20
	$604,900 38

FRANKLIN PARK GOLF COURSE.

Opening Date — April 10. Closing Date — December 5.

Registered attendance, 26,281

Annual permits issued, 645 at $15	$9,675 00
Daily permits issued, 8,071 at $1	8,071 00
Twilight permits issued, 2,167 at $.50	1,083 50
Unclaimed deposits on locker keys and towels	58 00
Total	$18,887 50

GEORGE WRIGHT GOLF COURSE.

Opening Date — April 16. Closing Date — November 30.

Registered attendance, 44,568

Annual permits issued, 663 at $25	$16,575 00
Daily permits issued, 2,578 at $2	5,156 00
Daily permits issued, 4,726 at $1	4,726 00
Special permits issued, 48 at $.75	36 00
Total	$26,493 00

Skating Attendance for Season 1949.

Name of Playground.	Approximate Attendance.
Almont Street Playground	1,150
Amerena Playground	1,750
American Legion Playground	1,250
Billings Field Playground	2,200
Brookside Avenue Playground	500

Name of Playground.	Approximate Attendance.
Carter Playground	3,150
Chandler Pond Playground	5,250
Charlestown Playground	3,150
Columbus Park Playground	7,000
Cronin Playground	1,500
Doherty and Gibson Playgrounds	3,500
Dorchester Park Playground	2,100
Draper Playground	600
Eustis Playground	1,700
Fallon Field Playground	5,000
Franklin Field Playground	30,000
Garvey Playground	20,000
Hemenway Playground	2,000
Jamaica Pond	17,000
Jefferson Playground	5,250
Lee, Joseph, Playground (Back Bay)	5,000
Murphy Playground	3,000
McConnell Park Playground	7,500
McKinney Playground	2,500
Noyes Playground	2,000
Parkman Playground	1,000
Public Garden	12,000
Ringer Playground	950
Rogers Park Playground	3,500
Roberts, Thomas J., Playground	3,750
Rotch Playground	1,500
Smith's Pond Playground	4,350
Smith's Playground (Brighton)	2,375
Wood Avenue Playground	4,500
Total	157,175

General Attendance for Season 1949.

Name of Playground.	Approximate Attendance.
Ahlsen Playground	66,500
Almont Street Playground	57,700
Amerena Playground	47,500
American Legion Playground	66,500
Billings Field Playground	171,000
Boston Common Playstead	323,000
Brookside Avenue Playground	33,250
Carter Playground	152,000
Ceylon Street Playground	47,500
Charlesbank Playground	109,250
Charlestown Heights Playground	17,100
Charlestown Playground	106,400
Cherry Street Playground	12,350

Name of Playground.	Approximate Attendance.
Chestnut Hill Playground	175,275
Columbus Park Playground and Stadium	304,000
Connolly Playground	159,600
Cronin Playground	66,500
Dorchester Park Playground	106,400
Draper Playground	42,750
Doherty and Gibson Playgrounds	221,350
Emmons Playground	16,340
Eustis Playground	123,595
Fallon Field Playground	247,285
Franklin Field Playground	613,225
Garvey Playground	199,880
Healy Playground	247,760
Hemenway Playground	64,125
Holland Playground	42,750
Jefferson Playground	159,790
Lee, Christopher, Playground (South Boston)	139,650
Lee, Joseph, Playground (Back Bay)	228,000
Murphy Playground	115,710
McConnell Park Playground	145,350
McKinney Playground	89,680
Mead Street Playground	23,750
Mission Hill Playground	106,400
North End Park Playground	142,025
Noyes Playground	97,945
Parker Hill Playground	50,350
Parkman Playground	45,125
Portsmouth Street Playground	47,500
Prince Street Playground	38,000
Readville Playground	75,525
Ringer Playground	82,650
Ripley Playground	23,845
Roberts Playground	145,350
Rogers Park Playground	161,265
Ronan Park Playground	190,000
Rotch Playground	89,300
Smith, William E., Playground	180,785
Smith's Pond Playground	86,925
Snow Hill Street Playground	54,720
Sweeney Playground	26,600
Tyler Street Playground	12,825
Walker Playground	143,735
West Third Street Playground (Fr. Buckley)	22,610
Winthrop, John, Playground	42,940
Wood Avenue Playground	65,645
World War Memorial Park	76,000
Total	6,522,880

Shower Baths, Attendance, 1949.

BUILDING.	Men.	Boys.	Women.	Girls.	Totals.
Brighton	12,120	6,235	476	677	19,508
Broadway	82,050	30,000	45,675	22,950	180,675
Cabot Street	17,805	9,645	3,590	2,225	33,265
Columbia Road	110,225	15,025	3,130	5,270	133,650
Copley School	4,490	7,251	3,140	5,810	20,691
Curtis Hall	63,324	3,194	2,952	1,819	71,289
Dover Street	66,565	1,542	5,992	1,509	75,608
Hyde Park	45,280	13,480	1,705	2,730	63,195
John J. Williams	7,735	10,975	19,575	10,400	48,685
Lexington Street	80,000	86,200	29,800	31,800	228,300
North Bennet Street	43,564	12,534	13,250	4,600	73,948
Paris Street	159,800	15,440	23,165	6,055	204,460
Roslindale	20,795	3,445	11,542	1,122	36,904
Tyler Street	66,950	20,550	8,804	4,725	101,029
Vine Street	77,725	22,150	16,210	15,390	131,475
L Street Bath	290,620	135,239	.....	.....	425,859
L Street Solarium	10,093	.....	3,708	.....	13,802
Totals	1,159,641	392,905	192,714	117,082	1,862,342

Gymnasia, Class and Individual Attendance, 1949.

LOCATION.	Men.	Boys.	Women.	Girls.	Total.
Cabot Street	1,195	6,211	1,247	1,286	9,939
Columbia Road	3,525	5,960	1,648	2,860	13,993
Curtis Hall	3,586	4,310	665	4,344	12,905
Hyde Park	2,050	5,834	1,260	2,517	11,661
John J. Williams Building	2,066	4,506	1,017	3,848	11,437
Lexington Street	2,667	4,798	1,323	2,055	10,843
North Bennet Street	1,630	3,885	245	1,100	6,860
Paris Street	8,280	14,736	1,625	3,290	27,931
Roslindale	3,000	8,575	2,095	3,695	17,365
South Boston	5,010	18,540	295	7,490	31,335
Tyler Street	4,026	7,256	0	3,775	15,057
Vine Street	3,491	11,276	2,032	4,425	21,224
Totals	40,526	95,887	13,452	40,685	190,550

Beaches and Swimming Pools, Attendance, 1949.

Location.	Men.	Boys.	Women.	Girls.	Total.
Cabot Street Pool	566	3,628	422	4,045	8,661
Curtis Hall Pool	1,828	10,107	1,757	6,469	20,161
Charlestown Pool	2,525	872	1,327	655	5,379
Columbus Park Beach	72,825	98,775	58,100	70,500	300,200
Head House Beach	180,345	290,450	218,920	304,580	994,293
North End Park Beach	78,600	110,602	36,100	54,300	279,602
Tenean Beach	16,704	36,396	18,550	26,710	98,360
World War Memorial Park Beach	11,495	19,817	15,360	23,681	70,353
L Street Beach	425,859	56,420	139,452	38,450	660,181
Totals	790,747	627,067	489,988	529,390	2,437,192

Cemetery Division Receipts, January 1 to December 31, 1949.

Cemeteries.	General Receipts.	Perpetual Care Receipts.	Interest on Perpetual Care.
Mount Hope	$84,011 08	$15,215 00	$17,641 17
Fairview	21,794 66	5,788 12	4,347 74
Evergreen	14,890 90	8,210 00	5,765 76
Dorchester North	213 00	.....	387 26
Dorchester South	88 00	.....	136 40
Central	20 00	.....	62 50
Granary	.....	.....	62 50
Westerly	.....	.....	175 88
Copp's Hill	.....	.....	62 50
Phipps Street	.....	.....	6 00
King's Chapel	.....	.....	62 50
Bunker Hill	.....	.....	80
Totals	$121,017 64	$29,213 12	$28,711 01

Total: General Fund, December 31, 1948	$2,862,838 96	
Interest, General Fund 1949	91,566 06	
Revenue (General Receipts) 1949	121,017 64	
Discounts on Securities Purchased	8,258 63	
		$3,083,681 29
Payments from Fund during 1949:		
To Cemetery Maintenance and Improvement	$60,000 00	
Premiums and Accrued Interest	16,733 43	
Refunds	712 00	
		77,445 43
Total: General Fund, December 31, 1949		$3,006,235 86
Total: Perpetual Care Funds, December 31, 1949		910,372 08
Total Cemetery Funds		$3,916,607 94

Summary Statement of Cemetery Activities, January 1 to December 31, 1949.

CEMETERIES.	Interments.	Lots Sold.	Graves Sold.	Lots in Perpetual Care.	Graves in Perpetual Care.	Lots in Annual Care.	Graves in Annual Care.	Foundations Built.	Preparing and Planting.	Various Orders.
Mount Hope	1,455	134	453	7,757	2,080	.....	.....	290	30	1
Fairview	303	16	105	946	1,193	.....	.....	101	1	1
Evergreen	187	25	50	933	2,421	1	.....	83	4	.....
Dorchester North	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....
Dorchester South	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....
Central	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bennington Street	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Phipps Street	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bunker Hill	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Westerly	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	1,955	175	608	9,639	5,694	1	.....	476	35	2

Cemetery Division, Expenditures for Maintenance, Year Ending December 31, 1949.

Office	$18,226 16
Mount Hope	129,894 31
Fairview	26,303 43
Evergreen	14,961 67
Dorchester North	2,014 56
Dorchester South	1,462 83
Bennington Street	1,839 99
Bunker Hill	1,242 06
Copp's Hill	1,176 95
Eliot	534 25
Granary	1,118 30
King's Chapel	1,220 26
Phipps Street	643 50
South End South	326 15
Market Street	130 73
Hawes	166 48
Union	166 48
Westerly	114 13
Central	88 81
	$201,631 05

Cemetery Division, Maintenance and Improvement, Year Ending December 31, 1949.

Mount Hope	$35,349 69
Fairview	7,248 14
Evergreen	5,642 53
Dorchester North	1,402 65
Dorchester South	1,553 40
Bennington Street	1,276 59
Bunker Hill	745 82
Copp's Hill	1,553 40
Eliot	726 44
Granary	1,452 90
King's Chapel	1,477 95
Phipps Street	745 83
South End South	726 46
Market Street	30 15
Hawes	5 02
Union	5 03
Westerly	20 10
Central	37 90
	$60,000 00

PARK DEPARTMENT STATISTICS TO DECEMBER 31, 1949.

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Parks.	Year of Acquisition.	Cost to Date.			Area.	Length of Drive-ways.	Length of Walks.	Length of Rides.	Area of Ponds and Rivers.
		Land.	Construction.	Totals.					
Main Park System:									
Commonwealth avenue	1894–1905	.....	$626,857 84	$626,857 84	112.70 acres	12.1 miles	11.9 miles		
Fens	1877–1879	$736,854 49	3,222,669 55	3,959,524 04	116.99 "	4.32 "	7.04 "	1.1 miles	22 acres
[1]Avenue Louis Pasteur	1922	.....	.....	.....	3.19 "	0.27 mile	0.50 mile		
†Riverway	1883–1890	457,457 53	828,896 78	1,286,354 31	40.00 "	1.4 miles	2.8 miles	1.2 "	8 "
‡Olmsted Park	1890–1892	1,081,947 60	819,907 54	1,901,855 14	180.00 "	2.7 "	5.8 "	1.6 "	77 "
Arborway	1892	245,584 25	463,237 36	708,821 61	36.00 "	3.4 "	3.2 "	1.4 "	
Arnold Arboretum	1882–1895	79,354 15	462,637 39	541,991 54	223.00 "	3.4 "	5.65 "	0.5 mile	0.6 acre
West Roxbury Parkway	1894	135,265 29	176,638 10	311,903 39	65.94 "	1 mile	2 "	0.94 "	
Joyce Kilmer Park	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.53 "				
Franklin Park and Zoological Garden	1883–1884, 1906–1912	1,551,896 63	4,106,846 38	5,658,743 01	522.00 "	7.91 miles	14.9 "	1.19 miles	7.4 acres
Marine Park System:									
Columbia road	1899	447,528 63	557,757 18	1,005,285 81	31.20 "	5.3 "	6.1 "		
Dorchester way	1892–1895	63,735 54	93,804 34	157,539 88					
Strandway and Columbus Park	1890–1892, 1897–1901	772,515 12	2,823,346 08	3,595,861 20	254.30 "				
Marine Park and Aquarium	1883	232,972 57	1,728,925 10	1,961,897 67	52.71 " land, 4.90 " flats	0.6 mile	1.39 "	.....	3.4
§ Castle Island	1890	.....	172,651 79	172,651 79	25.70 " land, 78.30 " flats	0.16 "	1.15 "		
*McConnell Park	1899–1914	50,759 33	255,696 41	306,455 74	9.78 " land, 50.55 " flats	0.20 "	0.29 mile		

SAVIN HILL PARK	1909	31,925 55	12,342 45	44,268 00	8.26 acres		
* IRVING W. ADAMS PARK	1919	50,000 00	19,513 59	69,513 59	0.78 acre		
‡ WORLD WAR MEMORIAL PARK	1882–1891	132,800 00	462,738 47	595,538 47	211.00 acres	0.3 "	2.1 miles
CHARLESBANK	1883	373,916 99	379,645 74	753,562 73	25.41 "	.....	1.5 "
TRINITY TRIANGLE	1885	30,000 00	.....	30,000 00	0.18 acre		
ENS. JOHN J. DOHERTY, JR., PLAYGROUND	1891	50,538 02	186,373 19	236,911 21	10.35 acres	.....	0.4 mile
JOHN J. RYAN, JR., PLAYGROUND	1891	172,923 31	54,931 93	227,855 24	13.66 " land; 3.70 " flats	.....	0.6 "
DORCHESTER PARK	1891–1903	64,165 37	33,813 80	97,979 17	31.47 "		
FRANKLIN FIELD	1892–1910	157,341 22	225,951 72	383,292 94	77.00 "	0.65 mile	1.09 miles
NORTH END BEACH	1893	328,364 44	461,328 11	789,692 55	3.70 " land; 3.00 " flats		
* VINCENT CUTILLO PARK, NORTH END	1917	160,350 00	40,338 95	200,688 95	0.48 acre		
WILLIAM B. CORBETT PARK, DORCHESTER CENTRE	1917	22,904 86	1,691 37	24,596 23	0.94 "		
COPP'S HILL TERRACE	1893	90,858 19	55,641 05	146,499 24	0.6 "	.....	0.11 mile
‖CHESTNUT HILL PARK	1898–1899 and 1902	210,239 06	42,925 85	253,164 91	54.19 acres	1.44 miles	0.10 "
CHERRY STREET PLAYGROUND, SOUTH END	1922	108,004 78	16,995 22	125,000 00	0.55 acre		
ALMONT STREET PLAYGROUND, MATTAPAN	1924	11,095 24	49,572 34	60,667 58	17.81 acres	.....	0.04 "
PLAYGROUND, MISSION HILL,	1913–1915	291,138 24	73,277 02	364,415 26	4.24 "	.....	0.21 "
* JOHN F. HOLLAND PLAYGROUND, ROXBURY	1917	13,700 00	29,297 16	42,997 16	1.07 "		
RONAN PARK PLAYGROUND, DORCHESTER	1912–1916	101,957 78	123,150 43	225,108 21	11.65 "	.....	0.83 "

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Parks.	Year of Acquisition.	Cost to Date.			Area.	Length of Drive-ways.	Length of Walks.	Length of Rides.	Area of Ponds and Rivers.
		Land.	Construction.	Totals.					
* Frederick D. Emmons Playground, Charlestown	1912	$80,946 47	$8,746 53	$89,693 00	1.07 acres				
Prince Street Playground,	1897–1899 1901–1902	180,474 70	8,304 61	188,779 31	0.4 acre				
Tenean Beach, Dorchester,	1914–1915 1928–1933	102,140 00	85,313 76	187,453 76	20.01 acres	0.25 mile	0.35 mile		
* William F. Smith Playground, North Brighton,	1894	22,107 12	34,129 33	56,236 45	14.00 "				
* William H. Garvey Playground, Neponset,	1896	24,804 39	152,325 46	177,129 85	16.68 "	.....	0.28 "		
Billings Field, West Roxbury	1896–1906	47,068 98	78,947 47	126,016 45	10.83 "	.....	0.23 "		
*3 Christopher J. Lee Playground, South Boston	1897	.....	128,758 69	128,758 69	5.20 "	.....	0.4 "		
Mary Hemenway Playground, Dorchester	1920	29,730 76	69,777 87	99,508 63	4.41 "				
* Mary P. C. Cummings Memorial Playground, Woburn	1930	.....	.....	.....	234.00 "				
Paul Gore Street Playground	1913	.....	.....	.....	0.74 acre				
* William J. Barry Playground, Charlestown	1897–1923	202,463 00	118,161 30	320,624 30	5.72 acres	.....	0.09 "		
* J. M. & J. J. Sullivan Playground, Roxbury	1897	14,593 72	13,376 42	27,970 14	0.85 acre				

CHRISTOPHER GIBSON PLAYGROUND, DORCHESTER....	1897.....	37,709 58	60,042 75	97,752 33	4.34 acres	.....	0.11 "		
* WILLIAM E. CARTER PLAYGROUND, ROXBURY.....	1899–1900 1901–1902	327,503 84	62,305 62	389,809 46	5.02 "				
* JAMES L. CRONIN PLAYGROUND, DORCHESTER....	1899.....	43,990 09	9,443 00	53,433 09	2.24 "				
* FALLON FIELD PLAYGROUND, ROSLINDALE....	1899–1913 1917–1931	91,325 11	84,890 31	176,215 42	7.57 "	.....	0.36 "		
* JAMES F. HEALY PLAYGROUND, ROSLINDALE....	1902.....	25,166 75	40,326 71	65,493 46	9.63 "	.....	0.14 "		
* LESTER J. ROTCH PLAYGROUND, SOUTH END.....	1903.....	256,440 63	27,302 32	283,742 95	2.8 "				
* JOHN J. CONNOLLY PLAYGROUND, ROXBURY.....	1903–1905..	.....	100,295 40	100,295 40	5.1 "				
‹ ROGERS PARK, BRIGHTON...	1899–1931..	45,998 30	72,634 30	118,632 60	8.20 "	.....	0.44 "		
CARROLL POND, WEST ROXBURY.....	1921.....	.....	8,376 75	8,376 75	0.47 acre				
JOHN H. L. NOYES PLAYGROUND, EAST BOSTON...	1909.....	10,015 00	95,950 71	105,965 71	5.24 acres land 3.07 " flats				
WEST THIRD STREET PLAYGROUND, SOUTH BOSTON,	1909.....	10,201 30	4,000 00	14,201 30	0.28 acre				
* MATTHEW J. SWEENEY PLAYGROUND, SOUTH BOSTON.....	1909.....	10,201 30	4,597 40	14,798 70	0.47 "				
WILLIAM EUSTIS PLAYGROUND.....	1909–1924..	116,220 06	97,467 53	213,687 59	7.60 acres				
JOHN WINTHROP PLAYGROUND.....	1911.....	20,994 26	38,411 99	59,406 25	1.57 "				
* GEORGE H. WALKER PLAYGROUND, DORCHESTER....	1912–1914..	22,011 33	47,060 82	69,072 15	6.21 "	.....	0.10 "		

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Parks.	Year of Acquisition.	Cost to Date.			Area.	Length of Drive-ways.	Length of Walks.	Length of Rides.	Area of Ponds and Rivers.
		Land.	Construction.	Totals.					
* Stanley A. Ringer Park, Allston	1916–1931	$57,090 00	$73,123 69	$130,213 69	12.38 acres	.....	0.35 mile		
* Arthur F. McLean Playground, East Boston	1917	20,754 17	18,269 62	39,023 79	0.43 acre				
Paris Street Playground,	1912	50,630 64	13,083 38	63,714 02	1.27 acres				
Tyler Street Playground,	1912	26,239 19	12,203 86	38,443 05	0.26 acre				
* John W. Murphy Playground, Jamaica Plain,	1912–1919	26,861 80	67,648 48	94,510 28	4.17 acres				
Portsmouth Street Playground	1912	15,000 00	30,547 87	45,547 87	4.29 "				
Town Meeting Park, Dorchester	1921	5,859 00	2,889 53	8,748 53	0.22 acre				
[15] Gymnasium Site, South Boston	1921	40,000 00	8,500 00	48,500 00	0.36 "				
[5] Factory Hill Playground	1912	.....	8,837 89	8,837 89	5.20 acres				
[8] Ripley Playground	1913	.....	13,465 75	13,465 75	0.86 acre				
[7] Smith's Pond Playground,	1914–1931	.....	74,326 47	74,326 47	12.91 acres				
Ceylon Street Playground, Dorchester	1923	30,116 78	19,017 22	49,134 00	4.03 "				
[8] Carl H. Ahlsen Playground, Dorchester	1916–1943	.....	.....	.....	11.20 "	.....	0.20 "		
[9] John A. Doherty Playground, Dorchester	1897	.....	35,939 45	35,939 45	1.47 "				

AMERICAN LEGION PLAYGROUND, CONDOR STREET, EAST BOSTON	1924	63,300 00	35,184 98	98,484 98	3.38 "				
PLAYGROUND, READVILLE, BULLARD, MILTON AND REGENT STREETS, HYDE PARK	1924	13,417 34	21,894 90	35,312 24	5.03 "				
JEFFERSON PLAYGROUND, HEATH, FLOYD AND CRANFORD STREETS, ROXBURY,	1924	67,329 80	42,670 20	110,000 00	7.51 "				
FRANCIS PARKMAN PLAYGROUND, WACHUSETT STREET, FOREST HILLS	1924	12,000 00	16,706 32	28,706 32	2.06 "				
REV. FATHER BUCKLEY PLAYGROUND, BOLTON AND WEST THIRD STREETS, SOUTH BOSTON,	1925	51,432 00	13,893 00	65,325 00	0.65 acre				
PAUL REVERE MALL, NORTH END	1925	107,600 00	23,372 38	130,972 38	0.76 "				
STATLER PARK, COLUMBUS AVENUE, STUART AND TENNYSON STREETS	1925	352,200 90	15,918 88	368,119 78	0.25 "				
BROOKSIDE AVENUE PLAYGROUND, JAMAICA PLAIN	1925	11,600 00	19,080 77	30,680 77	1.32 acres				
*[16] WILLIAM AMERENA PLAYGROUND, EAST BOSTON	1925	37,949 50	39,366 17	77,315 67	4.06 "				
[10] AIRPORT, EAST BOSTON	1928–1931 and 1932	107,060 45	1,902,869 05	2,009,929 50	370 "	0.65 mile	0.75 "		
GERTRUDE HOWES PLAYGROUND, ROXBURY	1930	26,397 40	10,227 28	36,624 68	1.88 "				
* MCKINLEY PLAYGROUND, BRIGHTON	1930	59,950 00	14,931 20	74,881 20	5.94 "				

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* [11] Thomas J. Roberts Playground, Dorchester	1930–1931	$21,360 08	$75,881 73	$97,241 81	10.40 acres	.....	0.30 mile		
[12] Martin M. Lomasney Park, West End	1930	25,000 00	52,810 67	77,810 67	2.57 "				
Playground, Foster and Court Streets, North End	1930	3,924 00	4,354 25	8,278 25	0.10 acre				
George Wright Golf Course, Hyde Park, West Roxbury	1930–1931	146,818 08	348,083 94	494,902 02	158.48 acres				
Mary Draper Playground, West Roxbury	1932	23,853 80	22,947 45	46,801 25	5.76 "	0.02 mile	0.18 "		
[13] Parker Hill Playground, Roxbury	1931	.....	19,945 49	19,945 49	11.54 "				
*Wesley Ross Playground, near Westminster Street, Hyde Park	1936	10,000 00	44,816 42	54,816 42	13.03 "				
Snow Hill Street Playground, North End	1937	.....	2,640 87	2,640 87	1.13 "				
Alice E. Gallagher Memorial Park, Chandler's Pond, Brighton	1937–1943	.....	.....	.....	13.59 "	.....	.....	.....	13.0 acres
Everett and Elm Streets, Dorchester	1939	.....	.....	.....	1.16 "				
Leo F. McCarthy Playground, Mead and Ludlow Streets, Charlestown	1938	.....	.....	.....	0.28 acre				

WASHINGTON AND STIMSON STREETS, WEST ROXBURY,	1938.....	.....	.....	.....	0.30 acre				
CHARTER STREET AND GREENOUGH LANE, CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND, NORTH END.....	1940.....	.....	.....	.....	0.23 "				
TOBIN PLAYGROUND, ALBION STREET, SOUTH END.....	1941.....	.....	.....	.....	0.57 "				
73 EAST DEDHAM STREET, BOSTON, S.W.....	1941.....	.....	.....	.....	0.41 "				
MALDEN STREET, SOUTH END, BOSTON.....	1941.....	.....	.....	.....	0.21 "				
VERNON STREET, ROXBURY..	1941.....	.....	.....	.....	0.40 "				
**SUMNER AND ORLEANS STREETS, EAST BOSTON...	1941.....	.....	.....	.....	0.40 "				
THORNTON STREET, ROXBURY.....	1941.....	.....	.....	.....	0.06 "				
PITTS AND HALE STREETS, WEST END.....	1942.....	.....	.....	.....	0.11 "				
TROY AND ROCHESTER STREETS, SOUTH END....	1941.....	.....	.....	.....	0.17 "				
LONDON AND DECATUR STREETS, EAST BOSTON..	1941.....	.....	.....	.....	0.13 "				
HOWARD AVENUE, DORCHESTER, MARY A. HANNON PLAY AREA.....	1940-1945..	.....	8,565 45	8,565 45	1.69 acres				
HILL AND COOK STREETS, CHARLESTOWN.....	1942.....	.....	3,117 78	3,117 78	0.10 acre				
PHILLIPS STREET PLAYGROUND, WEST END.....	1942.....	.....	3,622 55	3,622 55	0.13 "				

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Beecher Street Play Area, West Roxbury	1942	.....	.....	.....	0.18 acre				
McKay School Play Area, Frankfort, Gove and Cottage Streets, East Boston	1942	.....	.....	.....	0.50 "				
King Street, Roxbury	1943	.....	.....	.....	0.32 "				
John Harvard Mall, Charlestown	1943	.....	.....	.....	0.85 "				
Henry Ross Estate, Forest Hills	1943–1945	.....	.....	.....	7.69 acres				
Penniman Road and Hano Street, Brighton	1945	.....	$15,272 03	$15,272 03	0.94 acre				
Green and Lamartine Streets, Jamaica Plain	1945	.....	21,164 62	21,164 62	1.32 acres				
Rachel Revere Overlook, North Street, Boston	1945	.....	10,008 90	10,008 90	0.08 acre				
Carleton Street, South End	1945	.....	.....	.....	0.05 "				
Carson Street, Dorchester	1945	.....	2,400 03	2,400 03	0.92 "				
Washington, East Dedham and Mystic Streets, South End	1945	$30,272 75	990 00	31,262 75	0.32 "				

BRUCE STREET, WEST ROXBURY	1945				0.80 acre				
GALLIVAN BOULEVARD, CORNER WASHINGTON STREET, DORCHESTER	1946				7.03 acres				
[14] OAK SQUARE PLAYGROUND, BRIGHTON	1947	25,760 00	6,002 95	31,762 95	1.48 "				
SUMNER AND WILLIS STREETS, DORCHESTER, UNDEVELOPED	1947				0.03 acre				
MYRTLE STREET PLAY AREA	1949		950 00	950 00	0.17 "				
UNION STREET, BRIGHTON	1949		3,415.36	3,415.36	1.54 acres				
TOTALS		$11,449,975 55	$23,280,282 88	$34,730,258 43	3,389.00 acres	46.07 miles	73.98 miles	7.93 miles	131.4 acres

* Named for soldier killed in World War.
† An additional area of 18 acres is within the limits of the town of Brookline.
‡ An additional area of 16½ acres is within the limits of the town of Brookline.
§ Custody given to the city by Acts of Congress.
‖ 49 acres transferred from Water Department; an additional area of 160.65 acres, including water area of 122.7 acres, is under control of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board.
¶ Transferred to Commonwealth of Massachusetts, December 1, 1941.
** Sold 1948, Public Auction, private owners.
[1] World War Memorial.
[2] Acquired by ordinance, chapter 7 of 1922.
[3] Transferred from and $454.15 expended by the Public Grounds Department.
[4] 25,470 square feet transferred from and $2,000 expended by the Public Grounds Department.
[5] Acquired by annexation of Hyde Park.
[6] Acquired by gift.
[7] Transferred from Metropolitan Park.
[8] Transferred from Street Laying-Out Department.
[9] Formerly part of Christopher Gibson Playground, set apart and named, November 9, 1920.
[10] 256 acres leased from Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Airport transferred to Commonwealth of Massachusetts, December 1, 1941.
[11] 792 acres transferred from School Committee by chapter 229, Acts of 1931.
[12] Acquired by section 2, chapter 371, Acts of 1929, and chapter 91 of General Laws, indenture December 11, 1930, under provision of chapter 92, section 87, of General Laws; Act of City Council, approved May 25, 1933.
[13] Transferred from Institutions Department by chapter 40, Acts of 1931.
[14] Purchased from Metropolitan Transit Authority.
[15] Property Sold
[16] To be transferred to Commonwealth for additions to Airport.

PARK DEPARTMENT — CEMETERY DIVISION.

The following annual report is presented for the Cemetery Division from January 1, 1949, to December 31, 1949,

Department Cemeteries.

The burying grounds, cemeteries and tombs which are owned by and in charge of the City of Boston are as follows, with a total area of about 7,040,708 square feet:

	Square Feet.	Established.
Bennington Street, East Boston	157,500	1838
Rainsford Island	43,560	
Bunker Hill, Charlestown	48,202	1807
Phipps Street, Charlestown	76,740	1630
Copp's Hill, Hull street, City	89,015	1659
King's Chapel, Tremont street, City	19,344	1630
Granary, Tremont street, City	82,063	1660
Central, Common, City	60,693	1756
South End South, Washington street, City	64,670	1810
Hawes, Emerson street, South Boston	11,232	1816
Union, East Fifth street, South Boston	5,470	1841
North, Uphams Corner, Dorchester	142,587	1633
Eliot, Eustis street, Roxbury	34,830	1630
South, Dorchester avenue, Dorchester	95,462	1814
Westerly, Centre street, West Roxbury	39,450	1683
Walter Street, West Roxbury	35,100	1711
Evergreen, Commonwealth avenue, Brighton	604,520	1848
Market Street, Brighton	18,072	1764
Mount Hope, Walk Hill street, 125 acres and square feet	14,330	1851
Fairview, Fairview avenue, Hyde Park, about 50 acres,		1892

City Tombs.

Twenty-five in the South Ground; six in Phipps Street Ground, Charlestown; one tomb for infants in South Ground; one tomb for infants and one for adults in Copp's Hill Ground; one for adults and one for infants in the Granary Ground; one for infants in King's Chapel Ground; one for infants in the Central Ground; two receiving tombs in East Boston; one receiving tomb in Dorchester North; one receiving tomb in Dorchester South; one receiving tomb in Evergreen Cemetery, Brighton; one receiving tomb in Mount Hope Cemetery, and one receiving tomb in Fairview Cemetery, Hyde Park.

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